



# DODGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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At 8:31 am on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 the Dodge County Sheriff's Office took a report of a theft from Sunnyside Estates Mobile Home Park, N6550 US 151 in the Town of Beaver Dam. The complainant, Ronald Gafner also known as Safe Ride Ron who is a driver for Dodge County's Safe Ride Program, was contacted by Tower Lanes at about 1:30am on December 29 and asked to give a patron a ride home who had too much to drink. Despite the extremely poor weather Ron agreed to do it. Ron picked up the subject, who has been identified as Brian J Krieger with a birthdate of 05-18-67, and took him to an address on Lakecrest Dr in the City of Beaver Dam, however, Krieger was unable to make contact with anyone in the building and couldn't get in. Ron took Krieger to Kwik Trip on Madison Street in Beaver Dam so he(Krieger) could use the ATM. Krieger told Ron that he couldn't get any money. Ron offered to drive Krieger anywhere he needed to go and Krieger told him he had nowhere else to go. Ron, left with few options and being extremely generous, offered to let Krieger stay with him for the night and told him he could sleep on the couch. Ron felt bad for Krieger and with the incredibly inclement weather Ron felt it was the right thing to do and stated "I couldn't just leave him in a snow bank."

Safe Ride Ron took Krieger home, gave him some bedding and allowed Krieger to sleep on his couch. When he woke up at about 8 am he discovered Krieger was gone, and so was Ron's 42" flat screen television and a vehicle that is owned by a friend of Ron's who is currently in assisted living. The key for the vehicle that was taken was hanging on a peg just inside the door to Ron's home.

The vehicle stolen from Ron is a 1994 Plymouth Voyager minivan with WI disabled plate 68681D and it is green in color. The van is equipped with a wheelchair lift and is owned by a friend of Ron's who is currently in assisted living. Ron advises he keeps the van at his home and uses it to transport his friend around if needed as it has the lift, without it, Ron is unable to transport his friend.

At this time Brian Krieger is a person of interest in this case. The Sheriff's Office has not been able to locate him and would like to discuss this incident with him. Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Krieger is asked to contact the Dodge County Sheriff's Office.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Sheriff Dale J Schmidt.

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